Patent claims

1. An ionic liquid of the formula

 K^+A^- (I)

wherein:

K⁺ is a cation selected from

R1 to R6 are identical or different and are each individually

- H,
- halogen,
- an alkyl radical (C_1 to C_8), which is unsubstituted or partially or fully substituted by F, Cl, N($C_nF_{(2n+1-x)},H_x$), O($C_nF_{(2n+1-x)},H_x$), or ($C_nF_{(2n+1-x)},H_x$), where 1<n<6 and 0<x<13,

a phenyl radical which is unsubstituted or partially or fully substituted by F, CI, $N(C_nF_{(2n+1+x)}H_x)_2$, $O(C_nF_{(2n+1-1)}H_x)$, $SO_2(C_nF_{(2n+1-x)}H_x)$ or $C_nF_{(2n+1-x)}H_x$ where 1

one or more pairs of adjacent R¹ to R⁶ can also be an alkylene or alkenylene radical having up to 8 C atoms and which is unsubstituted or partially or fully unsubstituted by halogen, $N(C_nF_{(2n+1-x)}H_x)_2$, $O(C_nF_{(2n+1-x)}H_x)$, $SO_2(C_nF_{(2n+1-x)}H_x)$ or $C_nF_{(2n+1-x)}H_x$ where 1<n<6 and 0≤x≤13; and

A is an anion of the following for mula

$$\left[PF_x (C_y F_{2y+1-z} H_z)_{6-x} \right]^{-1}$$

where $1 \le x < 6$

 $1 \le y \le 8$ and

 $0 \le z \le 2y+1$.

- 2. A compound according to claim 1, wherein at least one R¹ to R⁶ group is a halogen.
- 3. A compound according to claim 1, wherein at least one R^1 to R^6 group is an alkyl radical (C_1 to C_8), which is unsubstituted or partially or fully substituted by F, Cl, $N(C_nF_{(2n+1-x)},H_x)_2$, $O(C_nF_{(2n+1-x)}H_x)$, or $(C_nF_{(2n+1-x)},H_x)$, where 1<n<6 and 0<x|<13.
- 4. A compound according to claim $\frac{1}{2}$, wherein at least one R¹ to R⁶ group is a phenyl radical which is unsubstituted or partially or fully substituted by F, Cl, N(C_nF_(2n+1-x)H_x), O(C_nF_(2n+1-x)H_x), SO₂(C_nF_(2n+1-x)H_x) or C_nF_(2n+1-x)H_x where 1<n<6 and 0<x≤13.
- 5. A compound according to claim 1, wherein at least one adjacent pair of R^1 to R^6 is an alkylene or alkenylene radical having up to 8 C atoms and which is unsubstituted or partially or fully unsubstituted by halogen, $N(C_nF_{(2n+1:x)}H_x)_2$, $O(C_nF_{(2n+1:x)}H_x)$, $SO_2(C_nF_{(2n+1:x)}H_x)$ or $C_nF_{(2n+1:x)}H_x$ where 1 < n < 6 and $0 \le x \le 13$.
- 6. A compound according to claim 1, wherein said compound has at least one perfluorinated alkyl group.

- 7. A compound according to claim $\frac{1}{2}$, wherein said compound contains at least one $C_yF_{2y+1-z}H_z$ group selected from C_2F_5 and C_4F_9 .
- 8. An electrochemical cell comprising a cathode, an anode, a separator, and an ionic liquid of claim 1.
- 9. A capacitor comprising of at least a pair of electrodes, a separator, and an ionic liquid of claim 1.
 - 10. An electrolyte composition comprising an ionic liquid of claim 1 and an aprotic solvent.
 - 11. An electrolyte composition comprising an ionic liquid of claim 1 and a conductive salt.